

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 14-17 are pending.

Claims 1 and 14 are rejected under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement. The amendments to the claims above have eliminated the phrase 'without parsing.' As such, it is submitted that this amendment to the claims overcomes the cited claim rejection and request withdrawal of this rejection.

Claims 1 and 14 are rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. The phrase to which the rejection was raised as being ambiguous has been eliminated from the claims. It is submitted that this amendment to the claims overcomes the cited claim rejection and request withdrawal of this rejection.

Claims 1-7 and 14-17 are rejected under 35 USC § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Feinleib (US Patent No. 6,272,532).

As amended, claims 1 and 14 require that configuring the appliance further comprising configuring a camera by causing the camera to either change direction or to pan/tilt/zoom. Feinleib is directed to a reminder system, not a camera. This amendment is supported on page 6 with regard to the camera and pp. 3-6 for the mail reception mechanisms. It is therefore submitted that claims 1 and 14 are patentably distinguishable over the prior art and allowance of these claims is requested.

Claims 2-7 depend from claim 1 and inherently contain all of the limitations of that claim. As discussed above, the prior art does not teach, show nor suggest all of the limitations of the base claim, much less the further embodiments of the dependent claims. It is therefore submitted that claims 2-7 are patentably distinguishable over the prior art and allowance of these claims is requested.

Claims 15-17 have been canceled by this amendment.

Newly added claims 18 and 25 are directed to a method of configuring a networked radio receiver that receives configuration instructions remotely. This is supported in the specification on page 6 with regard to the radio receiver and pp. 3-6 with regard to the mail mechanisms. This is not shown, taught nor suggested by the prior art, as the cited prior art is directed to a reminder system. Claims 19-24 are further limitations on claim 18. It is therefore submitted that claims 18-25 are patentably distinguishable over the prior art and allowance of these claims is requested.

Conclusion

No new matter has been added by this amendment. Allowance of all claims is requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

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